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Sketch of Soviet trailer.)

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a report in English on Soviet road and rail trans-
ports in the Sperenberg area observed during the period 17-28 August 1958. The
report describes vehicles, loads, and weapons and includes a rough sketch of a
trailer, four of which were detached from a freight train at Sperenberg.
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MILITARY/AIRSoviet road and rail movements in the SPERENBERG area
(17.8.58 - 28.8.58)

1. At 1000 on the 17th August a column of 22 unladen ZIS-151 fuel bowsters drove from SPERENBERG LAGER to the KUMMERSDORF P.O.L. depot. The same column returned laden at 1400 hours, ten of the vehicles returning to SPERENBERG LAGER and the remaining twelve proceeding to the A.A.-occupied barracks in REHAGEN. 25X1
2. At 0030 on the 19th August and at 0030 on the 20th August two Soviet rail transports, [] passed through SPERENBERG from JÜTERBORG travelling to KÖNIGSWUSTERHAUSEN.
3. At 0530 on the 26th August 10 RY flats were standing on the airfield siding at RANGSDORF station awaiting unloading; on each [] was a case measuring approximately 12 x 2.5 x 2.5 m. 25X1
4. At 1830 on the 27th August a Soviet rail transport passed through SPERENBERG from JÜTERBORG travelling to KÖNIGSWUSTERHAUSEN, carrying 4 x 152 mm. howitzers, 2 x 76 mm. A.A. guns [] with troops. 25X1
5. (i) At 0430 on the 28th August the following [] were detached from a scheduled goods train at SPERENBERG and brought to the LAGER station for unloading:- 25X1

5 flats carrying one T.P.M. each

5 flats carrying one excavator and four trailers.

(ii) These trailers (see also sketch at Appendix "A") consisted of an open framework constructed of U cross-section girders (cross-section measurement approximately 20 cms.) mounted on 3 axles; the two rear axles were fitted with twin type wheels, diameter 80 - 100 cms. The top section of the framework was tilted so as to raise the front about 50 cms. higher than the rear. A lateral girder near the front of the top section, and the girder forming the rear of the top section, had a curved 'dip' in the centre, apparently to form a carrying surface for a missile or similar object. Three pulley-wheels were mounted at the front of the lower section with wires leading over corresponding, but smaller, pulleys mounted at the front of the upper section of the framework. Other relevant measurements were approximately as follows:

Length (less trailer attachment)	12 m.
Width	2.8 m.
Depth of framework at front	2.5 m.
" " " " rear	2.0 m.

6. At 0530 on 28th August a Soviet rail transport passed through SPERENBERG from KÖNIGSWUSTERHAUSEN loaded with 3 x T34/85 tanks and one other tank (?T54, without gun), and travelling to the WUNSDORF AFV repair depot. 25X1

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Appendix "A"

